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**METHOD FOR PERFORMING A FUNCTIONAL  
DIAGNOSIS ON A VENTILATION SYSTEM OF A  
CRANKCASE OF AN INTERNAL COMBUSTION  
ENGINE**

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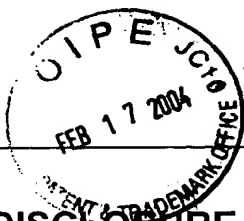
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